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CONVENTION IS GRINDING.

Republicans Are at Work on
Selection of Congressman.

A REMARKABLE CONVENTION

Draws Crowds of Republicans
from All Over the
State.

The Republicans of the Seventh congressional district are holding their convention in Great Bend today, and an army of the Republican workers from all over the state are present to witness one of the most remarkable conventions ever held in Kansas. In this district a few years ago it was necessary to form and perfect an organization capable of redeeming the district from the combination headed by Jerry Simpson and formed by an "any-thing-to-beat-the-Republican" aggregation. The organization of the Republicans in this district not only accomplished its purpose of redeeming the district to a large Republican majority, but on account of its strength and completeness won the admiration of every political worker in Kansas. Its fame even extended far over the borders of the state. The large territory and perfect organization naturally became an important factor in state politics, even a dominating influence. Today the ranks of this peerless organization have sent representatives to Great Bend to select a successor to the man who was the leader through the history of Republican success in the Seventh district, Chester I. Long. The men who have planned and worked together in the past hold different opinions as to who the new leader should be. It is a friendly battle but none the less a battle royal. The delegates are almost without exception men of political sagacity, and experience in the mode of political warfare. There are eighteen who appear as candidates and four or five times that number who could capably represent the district in congress. It would be hard, perhaps impossible, to find any where an abler body of men in a convention of this character. No one knows what the result of the convention will be. The nomination means certain election as the opposition is not only hopelessly in the minority but is notably indifferent. Whoever may be the choice of the convention the Republicans of the big Seventh will be united in his support. The delegates from Ford county are in the convention in the interest of Judge Price, and they left home in the belief that his nomination was a strong probability. Fully as good at least, as the chances of the other two or three candidates who are expected to stay in the race to the end.

CURE FOR DRY WEATHER.

Rice County Farmer Tells How To
Foil a Drouth.

The following which is being printed all over the state, calls for a discussion of the question by Nic Mayrath and Tip Shain:

"M. M. Sherman, of Geneseo, Kas., who is extensively engaged in farming and stock raising in Rice and Ellsworth counties, says that if the farmers generally would adopt a system of deep plowing, it would solve the Kansas dry weather problem. Deep plowing, he says, would also bring larger and better crops. "When the farmers of Kansas adopt a system of deeper plowing than the most of them are now using, we shall not hear nearly so much reported damage to crops

from dry weather," said Mr. Sherman. "I always plow to a depth of from eight to nine inches and always raise good crops. The average depth plowed by farmers in Kansas is only about four or five inches. This is not enough. Of course, I do not mean to say that all farmers do shallow plowing, but the majority of them in Kansas do, I think. "By stirring up the ground to a greater depth the farmer creates a reservoir for moisture. The broken ground then becomes a sponge and retains what water falls on it. The former who plows deeply for water wheat places his ground in condition to hold all the moisture that falls during the winter and thus his wheat has plenty to draw from regardless of the amount of precipitation of spring. A rock will not hold water. Well, Kansas ground out west is almost like a rock until it is broken up. On account of my deep plowing I don't have to worry about a dry April or May. Those who have plowed only to a depth of four inches may be hurt by dry weather in the next two months.

"As an example of what deep plowing will do, I know a man out in Osborne county raised the average of his ground from twenty bushels to forty-eight of wheat last year. If this can be done in Osborne county it can be done almost anywhere in Kansas. As it is now, twenty bushels is a good average yield of wheat for western Kansas farmers.

"I have been in Kansas a long time," concluded Mr. Sherman, "and I believe that deep plowing would solve the dry weather problem of the state if adopted generally. Hot winds are another thing. If they come just at the right time they will hurt corn whether the ground is full of moisture or not."

IN SHORT GRASS LAND.

A "poverty social" at Coldwater last week was given just to add a little variety to the steady grind of prosperity.

Garden City business men are doing some good advertising which if kept up will certainly put that place in the A. I. T. (a live town) column.

The town of Dighton is afraid that it will be under the necessity of employing a professional hypnotist in persuading some man to take the office of Mayor.

The agitation over the organ in the church has subsided at Garden City and exorcism now centers in collecting boxing gloves and other paraphernalia for the new athletic club.

The irrigation convention at Garden City April 16 and 17 should be attended by a good lot of representatives from the Arkansas Valley. The matter is certainly of great importance.

It is reported that Rev. E. E. Robbins of Syracuse has bought the News, published at that place, and will conduct it personally. He will now have a chance at the men who have been staying away from church.

A short grass editor week before last got into serious difficulty over reporting a wedding anniversary celebration, and last week gracefully retracted by stating that the "bride was seventy-two" instead of seventy-three and that she received one set of silver knives that were not mentioned in the first notice.

ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY.

New Law Will Not Change the Date to
Monday.

The argument regarding the date of holding elections in cities of the second class has caused a steady fire of proclamations in the different towns to get the date settled. The last decision here, and the final one has been made by Mayor Hoover for Tuesday, April 7. This will be in accordance with the mayor's proclamation as printed in the GLOBE-REPUBLICAN last week. There is plenty of time yet so that there need be no confusion regarding the date.

The election in Dodge City will be held on next Tuesday, April 7.

DIED IN CALIFORNIA.

Clarence Averill Passed Away on Saturday Morning.

The sad death of Clarence Averill was received here last Saturday. He passed away from this life at Los Angeles, California on Saturday morning. His friends here had been hoping to learn of his recovery but it appears that he grew steadily worse. A year ago he was in good health. Several months ago he was taken down and had a hard fight for his life. When he had recovered so that he could travel he decided to go west in the hope that the climate would be beneficial.

His body arrived here yesterday morning having been brought home for burial. Clarence Averill was a young man who was respected by all of his acquaintances. He was employed before the loss of his health in the store of the Zimmermann Hardware Company. He was a young man of between twenty-five and thirty years of age, was married and leaves a wife and one child.

Passion Play—Presbyterian church Tuesday evening, April 7.

DODGE CITY DISTRICT

Methodist Pastors Assigned to
New Charges.

REV. BARTON COMES HERE.

Rev. McCormick of This Place
Goes to Marion for the
Coming Year.

Rev. W. B. Barton was appointed by the M. E. conference closed at Sterling this week to the pastorate of the Methodist church in Dodge City. Rev. Barton has had charge of the church at Pratt and it is understood that he will move to Dodge City next week, and preach his first sermon here on April 12. Rev. D. McCormick who has been the pastor of the church here was assigned to Marion. Rev. R. E. Keyes was returned to Spearville and Rev. E. T. Jones to Bucklin.

The list of appointments in the Dodge City district are as follows:

W. J. Martindale, presiding elder; Arkalon to be supplied; Ashland, G. L. Renner; Beaver, N. C. Galtway; Bucklin, E. L. Jones; Cimarron, E. O. Gross; Coldwater, J. C. Fisher; Dighton, J. M. Fitch; Dodge City, W. B. Barton; Englewood, T. B. Paramore; Garden City, L. M. Riley; Garden City circuit, to be supplied; Hugoton, D. J. M. Jones; Ivanhoe, W. D. Johnson; Jetmore, W. H. Holland; Kenton, O. T., to be supplied; Lakin, P. W. Dorr; Leoti, J. W. France; Liberal and Roy, O. T. E. N. Cunningham; Meade, William Racco; Minneapolis, to be supplied; Ness City, H. E. Ross; New City circuit, to be supplied; Richfield, George Watts; Santa Fe, L. M. Hall; Scott, T. M. Parker; Spearville, R. E. Keyes; Syracuse, Thomas Carey; Tribune, O. G. Mitchell; Ulysses, to be supplied.

MADE A FORTUNE HERE.

Ford County Pioneer Will Retire From
Business in Bucklin.

S. D. Aulls who has been an important factor in the history of Ford county has sold his bank and lumber yard in Bucklin. Mr. Aulls came to the county nearly twenty years ago. Perhaps no man who has ever lived here has been of greater assistance in developing the county or a greater help to a large number of citizens during the past twenty years. His bank will after a while be turned over to the purchasers. Mr. C. Q. Chandler and Mr. H. A. Burnett of the State Bank of Commerce of this place, will be among the stock holders of the new company, and the lumber business will be conducted by a separate company.

Mr. Aulls is often spoken of as the David Harum of Ford county. During the years when he has been getting together a comfortable fortune he has continually assisted others until he possesses the friendship and gratitude of the entire community in which he has lived. His investments and business interests in Ford county have netted him probably over \$60,000, so that he is qualified to give evidence to the business possibilities of Western Kansas. Mr. Aulls, so far as learned, has not announced his plans for the future. It is understood that for the present he will remain in Ford county.

Death of Mrs. Perkins.

The death of Mrs. Wm. Perkins occurred yesterday at her home east of Wright. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the school house in district No. 8. Rev. Patterson of Ford will conduct the services and the interment will take place tomorrow afternoon in the Spearville cemetery.

The funeral of Clarence Averill was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Christian Church, Elder S. S. McGill pastor of the church conducting the services. The pall bearers were selected from the drill team of the M. W. A. lodge of this city, of which the deceased was a member. The occasion was a very sad one for the many friends of the young man whose life was ended so early. A choir composed of Ira Beck and Roy Martin and Misses Nina Norvel and Kate Kinkaid sang the sacred songs used at the funeral service.

Michael Kearney, the old soldier of the House who has been suffering from mental trouble was taken to Oswatomie on Monday where he will receive treatment at the state institution located at that point.

LOW PRICES COUNT.

Two Weeks of Wonderful Success in OUR SACRIFICE SALE

In our Ladies' and Children's Departments,
Thousand of Dollars have moved out and the
low prices have been appreciated by our
Patrons. We mean to make the next two
weeks of the sale one to be remembered.

We will have a surprise for you each day.

CALL and SEE THEM,

The Bargain Store

Fitzgerald & Locke, - - Dodge City, Kans.

GREATNESS OF THE BIG SEVENTH.

(From The Mail & Brecon.)

In 1871 when the Santa Fe Railway company began its journey of road building across the continent it stopped at Newton and turned south to Wichita. It was afraid of the untamed West. There was no habitation from Newton to Pueblo, except around the military post at Dodge. The peaceful vocation of theft and the chase carried on by the Pawnees was interrupted only by occasional incursions of savage and bloodthirsty Cheyennes. Hill and valley were bare, save for the buffalo and prairie grass. Not a tree or a shrub adorned the broad bosom of the country, except clumps of willows and the more majestic cottonwood which fringed the Kansas river. The "Great American Desert" was the grazing ground of the buffalo and the antelope.

Finally the venturesome promoters of the railroads induced capital to take hold and continue the line west from Newton. But it was necessary to give special inducements. For every \$1,000 in cash the company gave \$1,000 in bonds, \$1,000 in common stock and \$500 in preferred stock; that is, \$2,500 in securities for every \$1,000 collected for the construction fund. With the money thus raised the Santa Fe began pushing toward the Golden Gate. After crossing the divide between the Cottonwood and the Arkansas, it followed the course of the latter stream from Hatchison northwest to Great Bend, in almost the center of the state, and then southwest, and northwest, and southwest again, taking for its guide the sweep of the river till Pueblo was reached. At that time this country was a part of the Third congressional district. Only a few years before it was a part of Marion county. The only school house in its limits was in what is Marion county proper. It was a sod house, the whole vast area being known as school district No. 1. Later on came the reapportionment of 1883 when Kansas gained four congressmen. And so we have the Big Seventh as now constituted.

Within 15 years after the Santa Fe started west from Newton, every county in the limits of the Seventh district had been organized and duly equipped with all the functions of government. Now every county has a railroad, except five little ones in the southwest corner. Besides the pioneer Santa Fe, three trunk lines handle Seventh district traffic—the Rock Island, Missouri Pacific and Frisco. Within the domain of this Big Seventh district is the greatest salt deposit in the world. More cattle feed on its plains than in any other section of the state. The biggest wheat counties are within its borders. One year Reno county distanced all others as a corn producer. There are tropical products on the southern border—cotton, tobacco and peanuts. Barber county is rich in deposits of gypsum. In Meade county there is a perennial flow of artesian water. The counties in the far west promise to rival Colorado as a sugar beet producing section.

The Seventh district has a population of over 200,000. It is dotted with flourishing cities and thriving towns, and the truth is not stretched much in the statement that there is a schoolhouse on every hill. Fifty towns in the "Great American Desert" have electric lights and waterworks, and farmers order their groceries by telephone.

It is no slouch of an honor therefore to represent the Seventh district in congress, and it is not surprising that 19 candidates are after the Great Bend nomination.

W. A. Rogers a mail clerk who runs between Dodge City and Kansas City is certainly having plenty of bad luck. He was in a wreck at Florence about a month ago and was pretty badly bruised up. Last Sunday he was in the wreck at Strong City and now he is laid up again. Rogers is likely to get suspicious of that place of road between Newton and Emporia.

If you know anyone in Ford county who is not taking the GLOBE-REPUBLICAN please send his name to this office and a sample copy will be mailed to him.

The work on the water works for the Soldiers home at Ft. Dodge is to be started soon. The state engineer will be here next week to oversee the work. County Surveyor Dellinger has been engaged to assist with the work of surveying for the water system.

They are raising club women in Dodge City now. Several young misses in the north end of town, of ages of 10 and 12 have started an embroidery club and of course will gradually work their way into a full fledged study club.

SECOND ANNUAL BANQUET.

Pleasant Social Event Given By the
King Solomon Lodge.

The second annual banquet of King Solomon's lodge No. 1001, Past Masters, was held on last Saturday evening and was an occasion which was much enjoyed by those who were fortunate enough to be present. Dr. S. J. Crumblin presided as toast master and Messrs T. A. Scates, Paul Henkel, J. A. Corey, W. J. Davies and C. M. Beeson responded to the various toasts. The ladies who contributed to the program of the evening were Mrs. T. A. Scates, Mrs. S. J. Crumblin, and Miss Nellie Chapman. The supper was served at Mrs. Lybrand's, after the program at the hall was completed. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames, T. A. Scates, S. J. Crumblin, W. J. Davies, J. A. Corey, E. B. Goodrich, C. M. Beeson, E. E. Smith, H. F. Millikan, J. D. McKee, and Miss McKee, Mr. Paul Henkel and Miss Grace Hickok.

CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN.

Has Been Started and Should Be
Kept On the Move.

At the Council Meeting last night it was decided to order at once a car load of stone for street crossings to be used in the street and sidewalk improvements planned for this summer.

Considerable work already has been done in cleaning up the streets. This move is one which will be commended by the people in general and while the city authorities are at work it is a good time for private citizens to start the practice of burning old papers and removing tin cans and other trash from and adjoining their premises.

The late Clarence Averill was a member in good standing of the Modern Woodman lodge here and carried \$2000 insurance in the order.

The local democrats are preparing to do the right thing by their visiting brethren who will attend the congressional convention here next Thursday.

Car load of Grant's best flour just received. Plenty of fine Missouri Pippin apples. STUBBINS CASH GROCERY. 14.

THE OLD RELIABLE

ROYAL



BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE